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Special Announcement

Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI). *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* announces that applications are now available for the 2004-2005 SPI Class. SPI is a training opportunity for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program is designed to help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive Directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; annual budget under \$500,000; desires professional and organizational growth; and has strong commitment to complete the 12 month program and adhere to attendance requirements. The deadline for applications is July 2, 2004, at 5:00pm. Applications may be e-mailed, faxed, or picked-up from OPGD, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South, Washington, DC 20001. For additional information or to obtain the application, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

Federal Opportunities

Assets for Independence Demonstration Program. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds to demonstrate and evaluate the effectiveness of asset-building projects that teach low-income families about financial issues and enable them to save earned income over the long-term in special matched savings accounts called Individual Development Accounts (IDA). Eligible applicants include nonprofits, institutions of higher

education, faith-based organizations, low income credit unions, public housing authorities, and state and local government entities. The deadline for applications is July 27, 2004. Approximately \$18 million is available to fund 55 awards, ranging from \$350,000-\$1 million. For further information, contact Barbara Ziegler Johnson at 1-800-281-9519 or ocs@lcgnet.gov; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-12129.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Linkage to HIV Care Demonstration Project. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to link HIV infected persons recently diagnosed at publicly funded clinics in the U.S. to HIV care providers. The project is intended for communities with socio-economically disadvantaged HIV-infected persons. Eligible applicants include community-based organizations, and state and local government entities. The deadline for applications is July 23, 2004. Approximately \$1.75 million is available to fund 9 awards, ranging from \$175,000-\$275,000. For further information, contact Charles Elder at (770) 488-2889 or cfe4@cdc.gov; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-12567.txt>.

Mentoring Programs. *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds to promote mentoring programs for children with greatest need that: assist these children in receiving support and guidance from a mentor; improve the academic performance of the children; improve interpersonal relationships between the children and their peers, teachers, other adults, and family members; reduce the dropout rate of the children; and reduce juvenile delinquency and involvement in gangs by the

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children. Eligible applicants include: local educational agencies (LEAs); nonprofit, community-based organizations (CBOs), including faith-based organizations; and partnerships between LEAs and CBOs. The deadline for applications is July 7, 2004. Approximately \$29.375 million is available for 195 awards, ranging from \$100,000-\$500,000. For further information, contact Earl Myers at (202) 708-8846 or earl.myers@ed.gov; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-12209.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

National Center on Secondary, Transition and Postsecondary School Outcomes for Students with Disabilities. *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds to produce, and advance the use of knowledge to improve the results of education and early intervention for infants, toddlers, and children with disabilities. Eligible applicants include state education agencies, local educational agencies, nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is July 19, 2004. Approximately \$700,000 is available for one award. For further information, contact Selete Avoke at (202) 205-8157; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-12712.htm>.

National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) - Rehabilitation Engineering Research Centers (RERC). *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds for projects designed to meet the following priorities: Universal Design and the Built Environment; Cognitive Technologies; Telecommunications Access; and Telerehabilitation. Eligible applicants include public and private entities, for-profit organizations, institutions of higher education, and state agencies. The deadline for applications is July 27, 2004. Approximately \$2.5 million is available to fund 3 awards, ranging from \$830,000-\$850,000. For further information, contact Donna Nangle at (202) 245-7462 or donna.nagle@ed.gov; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-12252.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Research and Innovation To Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities - Research and Innovation Program. *The*

Department of Education (DOED) announces funds to produce, and advance the use of knowledge to improve the results of education and early intervention for infants, toddlers, and children with disabilities. Eligible applicants include state education agencies, local educational agencies, nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is July 9, 2004. Approximately \$7.8 million is available for 38 awards, ranging from \$180,000-\$360,000. For further information, contact Tom V. Hanley at (202) 205-8110; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-12713.htm>.

Simplified Procedures for Routine HIV Screening in Acute Care Settings. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to develop and evaluate simplified procedures and materials to improve the programmatic success of existing routine HIV screening projects in acute care settings. Eligible applicants include universities, colleges, hospitals, community-based organizations, and local government entities. The deadline for applications is August 2, 2004. Approximately \$120,000 is available to fund 1-2 awards, ranging from \$60,000-\$120,000. For further information, contact Julia Valentine at (770) 488-2732 or jvx1@cdc.gov; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-12565.txt>.

Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE). *The Internal Revenue Service (IRS)* announces funds to establish a network of trained volunteers to provide free tax information and return preparation assistance to elderly individuals. Elderly individuals are defined as individuals age 60 and over at the close of their taxable year. Eligible applicants include nonprofits. The deadline for applications is August 2, 2004. For further information, contact Mrs. Lynn Tyler at (202) 283-0189; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-12343.txt>.

District Opportunities

Small Projects Program (SPP). *The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH)* announces funds to support small-scale arts projects. Projects may include but are not limited to: art presentations; assistance in fundraising, marketing, and management; documentation of artistic activities

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through photography, brochures, portfolios, and demo tapes; and conferences, workshops, or seminars that will enhance artistic and professional development. Eligible applicants include artists and arts organizations. The deadlines for applications are December 2, 2004, March 3, 2005, and June 2, 2005. Grants of up to \$1,000 are available. Pre-application workshops will be held at DCCAH, 410 8th St., NW, Fifth Floor, on November 18, 2004, February 24, 2005, and May 26, 2005. For further information, contact DCCAH at (202) 724-5613; or go to: <http://dcarts.dc.gov/dcarts/site/default.asp>.

Young Artists. *The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH)* announces funds to recognize up and coming DC artists with The Young Artists Grant Program. This initiative supports activities that visibly demonstrate the benefits the arts bring to citizens in two funding categories: Young Emerging Artists Grant Program for innovative art projects; and Young Artists Community Service Program for projects that strengthen communities as well as provide positive alternatives for youth. Eligible applicants include individual DC artists, ages 18-30. The deadline for applications is October 25, 2004. Grants of up to \$3,500 are available. Pre-application workshops will be held on September 29, 2004, from noon-1:30pm, and October 6, 2004, from 6:30-8:00pm. For further information, contact DCCAH at (202) 724-5613; or go to: <http://dcarts.dc.gov/dcarts/site/default.asp>.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,33041.asp>.

Serve DC, K-12 Learn and Serve America School-Based Grants, June 8, 2004, at 5:00pm.

The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), The East of the River Arts Initiative (EOR), June 9, 2004.

The Department of Mental Health (DMH), Multi-Systemic Therapy Services, June 14, 2004, at 4:30pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (ODMPSJ) /Justice Grants Administration (JGA), Crime Victims Assistance Grant (VOCA), June 18, 2004, at 5:00pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (ODMPSJ) /Justice Grants Administration (JGA), Juvenile Justice Challenge Activities Grants, June 18, 2004, at 5:00pm.

*The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (ODMPSJ) /Justice Grants Administration (JGA), The Services*Training*Officers*Prosecution (STOP) Violence Against Women Grant*, June 18, 2004, at 5:00pm.

The DC Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice (ODMPSJ) /Justice Grants Administration (JGA), Title II Juvenile Justice Grants, June 18, 2004, at 5:00pm.

The Department of Mental Health (DMH), Intensive In-Home and Community Based Services, June 21, 2004, at 4:30pm.

The Department of Human Services (DHS)/Family Services Administration (FSA), Homeless Services for Single Adults and Families Network Management Grant, June 22, 2004, at 4:00pm.

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), Neighborhood-Based Activities: Comprehensive Housing Counseling Services Community Development Block Grant, June 22, 2004, at 4:00pm.

The Department of Human Services (DHS), Homemaker Services, July 2, 2004, at 4:45pm.

The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, June 25, September 24, and December 30, 2004.

The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Folk and Traditional Arts Mini Grants, September 2, 2004, at 6:00pm.

The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Arts Learning and Outreach: Teacher Mini-Grant Program, September 30, 2004, at 6:00pm.

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District

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Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

Foundation Opportunities

Environmental Conservation. *The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and other sponsors* announce funds for start-up grants for The Nature of Learning program, a community-based environmental education initiative. The program seeks to promote awareness, appreciation, and understanding of the importance of local conservation efforts. Eligible applicants are collaborative partnerships that include schools or nonprofit organizations and local National Wildlife Refuges. The deadline for applications is June 28, 2004. Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded. In addition, grants of up to \$3,000 will be awarded on a competitive basis to provide continued support to existing *Nature of Learning* programs. For additional information, contact Suzy Oversvee at (202) 857-0166, (202) 857-0162-fax, or suzanne.oversvee@nfwf.org; or go to: <http://www.nfwf.org/programs/tnol.htm>.

Health Care Financing and Organization. *The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's* Changes in Health Care Financing and Organization program focuses on research, demonstration, and evaluation projects that examine major changes in health-care financing and their effects on public policy. Proposed projects should focus on: the effects of current or proposed mechanisms for financing health services on health-care costs, access, and quality; or the development and testing of new ways to finance care that have the potential to improve access to more-affordable health services. Eligible applicants include public agencies and nonprofit organizations. Applications are accepted at any time. For further information, contact AcademyHealth, Attn: HCFO, 1801 K St., NW, Suite 701-L, Washington, DC 20006; (202) 292-6700; fax (202) 292-6800; or hcfo@academyhealth.org; or go to: <http://www.hcfo.net>.

Health Literacy. *The AMA Foundation* supports programs that address low health literacy. Its Health Literacy Grants promote clearer communication between patients and their physicians and other health care providers. Eligible applicants include the following four groups: medical students; residents and fellows; physicians, hospital staffs and medical societies; and AMA Alliance groups and community organizations. The deadline for applications is June 18, 2004. Grants range from \$500-\$4,000. For further information, contact the AMA Foundation at (312) 464-4200 or healthliteracy@ama-assn.org; or go to: <http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/12540.html>.

Historic Preservation. *Travelers Conservation Foundation (TCF)* supports projects designed to conserve, protect, and restore sites of exceptional cultural, historic, or natural significance, and to promote public awareness of and participation in those conservation activities. Priority will be given to projects that are linked to tourism, that are endorsed by local tourism offices, and that have the potential for duplication in other communities. Eligible applicants include nonprofits. Letters of Inquiry (LOI) are accepted at any time. Grants range from \$5,000-\$20,000. For further information, contact TCF at beckham@tcfonline.org; or go to: <http://www.tcfonline.org>.

Human Health and the Environment. *The Beldon Fund's* Human Health and the Environment program supports projects that engage new constituencies in exposing the connection between toxic chemicals and human health and in promoting public policies that prevent or eliminate environmental risks to people's health, particularly through application of the precautionary principle. The program focuses its grant making in three areas: New Advocates, Human Exposure to Toxic Chemicals, and Environmental Justice. Eligible applicants include nonprofits. The deadlines for Letters of Inquiry (LOI) are June 16 and November 10, 2004. For further information, go to: <http://www.beldon.org/beldon/about/default.asp>.

Running Tracks. *Nike's* Bowerman Track Renovation Program provides matching grants to refurbish or construct running tracks. Special consideration will be given to existing running tracks

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in need of repair or refurbishment and to tracks located in low- and moderate-income communities. Grant recipients must provide track access to neighboring communities. Eligible applicants include nonprofits and units of government (e.g., a school or school district). Applications will be accepted on an ongoing basis through May 2009. Matching grants of up to \$50,000 are available. For further information, go to: <http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26>.

Resources & Announcements

REMINDER. New Federal Grant Application Requirement. *The Office of Management and Budget (OMB)* has directed all federal agencies to require all federal grant applicants to provide a Dun and Bradstreet (D&B) Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number when applying for federal grants or cooperative agreements. The DUNS number, which will help to improve the statistical reporting of federal grants and cooperative agreements, will be required whether an applicant is submitting a paper or electronic application. DUNS numbers are required as of October 1, 2003. Organizations can receive a DUNS number at no cost by calling the dedicated toll-free DUNS Number request line at 1-866-705-5711 and indicating you are a federal grant applicant. You can also visit their website for more information <http://www.dnb.com/us/>.

Community-Led Organizations and Effective Technology. *The Progressive Technology Project (PTP)* provides grants, training, and technical assistance to community-led organizations (CLOs) seeking to use information and communication technology more effectively to advance their long-term goals. Over a nine-month period, PTP extensively surveyed and interviewed groups in the field about their use of technology. The resulting report, *From Exclusion to Inclusion: Strengthening Community-Led Organizations with Effective Technology*, focuses on the ways in which CLOs are integrating technology into their organizations as well as the challenges these groups face as they expand their use of information and communication technology (ICT). The report also explores the approaches that have proven most effective at providing CLOs with the resources, training and

technical assistance they need so that they and the constituencies they serve are not left behind in this age of increasingly sophisticated and demanding technology. For further information and to access the report, go to: <http://www.progressivetech.org/>.

DC Events Calendar. *The DC.Gov* website provides an online calendar with a citywide listing of events for District residents, businesses and visitors. Daily, weekly, and monthly views are available. Information can be broken down by type of event, topic, quadrant or ward. You may send information to be included in the calendar, as well. For further information and to access the calendar, go to: <http://app.calendar.rrc.dc.gov/dayView.aspx?cdlCalendar=&cdlStatuses>.

District Contracts As An Additional Funding Source. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* and the *Office of Contracting and Procurement (OCP)* will host an information session on the ABC's of District government contracts. This session will take place on June 14, 2004, 10am-noon, at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Washington, DC, Room 1107 South. The session is free but registration is required by June 11, 2004. To register, please contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

Funding for the Arts. *The Foundation Center* is celebrating the arts by providing a variety of information and events for arts organizations and artists during the month of June. For information on events, special features, and links to resources on the Web, contact the Foundation Center at (202) 331-1400; or go to: <http://www.fdncenter.org/focus/arts/>.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small

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library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

Spirit of Giving Guide. *The Community Foundation for the National Capital Region* is inviting your organization to apply to be featured in the Foundation's third annual Spirit of Giving Guide. The Spirit of Giving Guide is a special publication created by the Foundation to raise awareness about a critical issue in the region and to showcase 15-20 effective, smaller nonprofits working to address the issue. Each year, the Foundation selects a different issue and/or community to highlight in the Guide. Last year's Guide focused on East of the Anacostia River in Washington, DC. This year's Guide will provide an in-depth look at civic engagement and the extraordinary work of 15-20 nonprofits bringing residents, youth, and community leaders together in creative and inclusive ways to bring about community change. The Guide will also provide an overview of civic engagement and the past, present, and future role this work plays in the region. Eligible applicants must meet all of the following criteria: be a 501(c)(3) organization, community organization with an appropriate nonprofit financial sponsor, civic association, faith-based organization, or coalition with an appropriate nonprofit financial sponsor; have an annual operating budget that totals \$2 million or under; and have current civic engagement work that serve residents living in DC, the City of Alexandria, or the following counties – Montgomery and Prince George's (MD), and Arlington, Fairfax, and Loudoun (VA). The deadline for applications is June 11, 2004. For further information, go to: <http://www.cfncr.org>.

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